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The Application of
ALBERT E. JOHNSTONE III, ET AL) FOR: SWIVEL JOINT APPARATUS
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This is in response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2004. The Examiner has issued a restriction requirement indicating that election must be made of either the invention of Group I (Claims 1 to 15), the invention of Group II (Claims 16 to 26), or the invention of Group III (Claims 27 to 31). By this Response, Applicants elect the claims of Group I, Claims (Claims 1 to 15), drawn to a swivel joint apparatus, for examination.

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By this election, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.142(b), the claims of Groups II and III are withdrawn. Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional application on the claims of Group II, Claims 16 to 26 and Group III, Claims 27 to 31.

Respectfully submitted,

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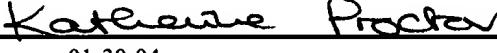
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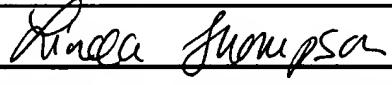
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